

# WEST EARL TOWNSHIP WATER AUTHORITY

Phil Machonis, Chairman · Jeff Zimmerman, Vice Chairman Shawn Erb, Treasurer · Curtis Miller, Member · Bob Youndt, Member

#### Minutes of June 7, 2021

The West Earl Township Water Authority held their scheduled monthly meeting on Monday, June 7, 2021 at the West Earl Township Municipal Building.

Phil Machonis, Chairman Jeff Zimmerman, Vice Chair Shawn Erb, Treasurer Curt Miller, Member

**Township Officials in attendance:** Jenna Seesholtz, Township Manager; John Enck, Water Department, and Michael Schober of ARRO.

**PUBLIC ATTENDANCE:** John Stauffer

# CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Machonis called the June 7, 2021, of the West Earl Water Authority to order at 7:00 pm.

# **REGULAR BUSINESS**

**Minutes of May 3, 2021:** A motion by Erb second by Zimmerman to approve the minutes of May 3, 2021 with amendments. Motion carried.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

**John Stauffer:** Mr. Stauffer inquired about the price for water service and fire suppression for a property located on Forney Road. He asked what the diameter of the current water main would be for water service on Forney. The Authority members advised Mr. Stauffer to submit a formal request for the EDU. This request should include the intended use of the proposed building on this property.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Infrastructure:** Manager Seesholtz advised the Authority that the Township approved a review of the Act 537 plan for on-lot septic systems. The Township, along with LASA, may be looking to add Farmersville, Turtle Hill Road and Fairmount Homes to the sewer system. Seesholtz noted that this may be an opportunity to install water lines in these areas of the Township. The Authority will reach out to Fairmount Homes to inquire about their water quality.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

**RFP** – **Water Engineer:** RFPs for engineering service were sent out and due back to the Township by July 1, 2021 for review and approval at the next Water Authority meeting.

**Denmar (Martin's Appliance):** Manager Seesholtz inquired whether the Water Authority approved the EDUs for Denmar (Martin's Appliance). Seesholtz noted that the project was approved by the building code inspector without the need for a sprinkler system. The Authority members would like to see proof

in the form of a letter from the Building Code Inspector that they will not be required to have any sprinklers installed in the new facility.

**Akron Hill Tank - Painting:** The current schedule for the Akron Hill water tank painting project is 2023. The Authority will verify with the Township that they have their portion of the painting funds available in this year's budget. The thought is to apply for the permit through DEP by this Fall to start painting the tank by May 2022.

**Akron Hill Tank – Emergency Power Transfer Switch**: John Enck of the Water Department requested the Authority look into installing an automatic transfer switch that will be utilized when the Akron Hill Tank is emptied in preparation of painting. Should an issue with power arise, the switch will transfer the tank to a generator. Member Miller would like to know if they are also able to rent the automatic transfer switch.

## **AUTHORITY FINANCIAL BUSINESS**

# Payment of Bills and Treasurer's Report

Shawn Erb, Treasurer for the Water Authority reviewed the Treasurer's report that included April 2021's accounting. He noted that the accounts all reconciled correctly. Erb also reported on this month's bills:

- o ARRO Consulting, Inc. (\$190.00) Consulting Service
- o Verizon (\$106.74) Regular Account

**Payment of Bills:** A motion by Miller second by Zimmerman to approve payment of invoices as presented on check register dated June 7, 2021 as submitted. Motion carried.

## **MEMBER BUSINESS:**

There was no member business.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no other business in front of the Water Authority, a motion by Erb, second by Zimmerman to adjourn the meeting at 7:39 pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by,

Jenna Seesholtz Township Manager